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MUZRAI SECRETARIAT.

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SUBJECT.

In re the objection raised by the Sri Vyasaraya Swamy matt in the matter of the use of certain insignia by the Sri Murali matt.

From

The Swamy of the Sri Vyasaraya Swamy matt.

No 2435 Dated 9th December 1904

Under instructions from the Swamigalu of the Sri Vyasaraya Swamy matt at Sosale, Subbanarasimha Char writes to say that he is given to understand that the Govt have permitted the use of the marginally-noted insignia by the Sri Murali matt, and states that these honors are the special insignia of the Sri Vyasaraya Swamy matt, just as Adla Balaki is, of the Sri Sringeri matt and prays that pending orders of Govt, either the Sri Murali or any other matt should not be allowed to use these honors.

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The following documents are produced in support of the matt's claim to the aforesaid honors.—

1) Copy of Rahadam dated 19th July 1841 written in 3 languages, Hindustani, Telugu, and English. This document is said to bear the seal of "East India Company" "The Return and Equipage" ^{with} which the then matt Swamy was allowed to travel are specified in it.

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2) Razmnama dated 18th July 1843. It is stated that one Anantathirtha Chari who was permitted to use "Hanthi chattri" by the Sri Sumathendra Swamy, having admitted that the above honor was the insignia of the Vyasaraja Swamy matt and that he would not in future use it, the Plaintiffs - & disciples of the Vyasaraja matt and the Defendant pray that the suit filed might be dismissed.

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3) Copy of petition dated 25th October 1851, addressed to the Tahsil Office at Srirangapatam by certain Mahomedan residents. Objection is taken to the use of the -

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marginally - noted (2) insignia by the Swamy
 of the Sri Vyasaraja matt during his
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(4) Mahazar dated 28th October 1851
 addressed to the Taluk Office at Suranga-
 patam. This document is signed by a
 number of residents the Signatories
 state that they have seen the Swamy
 touring with the aforesaid two insignia.

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(5) Sannad dated Kartika Suddha
 of Virodhikrutu Samvatsara. This ^{is said} was
^{have been} granted by H H the late Maharaja
^{munyadi} Krishnaraja Wodeyar ^{Bahadur} to the then
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Several years past; that some time ago, when a Saveta chathri was offered, it was not accepted by the matt as it was not customary to use it; and that no body could take objection to these houses being used by the Vyasaraja matt;

(6) Order from the Srirangapatam Taluk Office dated 29th October 1881, permitting the use of the aforesaid ^{and other honors} 2 insignia by the Sri Vyasaraja Swamy matt Swamy during his travels in Srirangapatam and other ~~wards~~ places. Submitted, The Swamy adds that the use of the 3 insignia in question dates from the time of Akbar Badsha.

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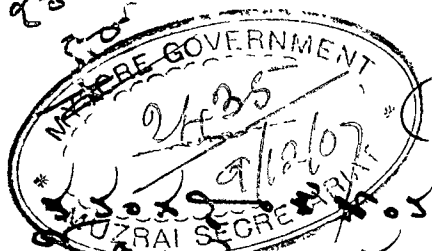
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Proceedings of the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore,

READ—

1. Government Proceedings No. 5547-58—Muzrai A' 58 of 1897, dated the 28th May 1907, permitting the use by the Muragi Matt of all the insignia specified in the Rahadari issued in favor of the Matt by the Chief Commissioner of Mysore on the 20th September 1869, with the exception of the "Addapalaki."

2. The marginally noted petitions received from the Agents of the Kudli-Sringeri and other Brahmin Matts and Sreenivasa Char and certain other Brahmin residents of Chitaldrug, representing that the Guru of the Muragi Matt proposed to enter the town of Chitaldrug in procession using "Panchakalasa" on his palanquin and objecting to any such Kalasa being used by the Muragi Matt.

Memorial Registered No. 231-885 dated, 21st August 1907, addressed to H. H. the Maharaja.

Petition No. 1382, dated 21st September 1907.

3. Petition dated 29th August 1907 from the Agent of the Muragi Matt praying for permission for the use of Panchakalasa on the Guru's palanquin.

4. Correspondence ending with letter No. 188, dated 11th October 1907, from the Deputy Commissioner, Chitaldrug District, reporting on the above.

5. Yadasth No. 118, dated 28th January 1908, from the Secretary to Government, General and Revenue Departments, forwarding certain Shaha Amal extracts of the year Vyaya, relating to the subject.

No. 5054-65—MUZ. F. 57 OF 1902, DATED BANGALORE, 18TH MAY 1908.

ORDER THEREON.—In the Government order read above, the Muragi Matt at Chitaldrug was allowed the use of all the insignia specified in the Rahadari issued in favor of the Matt by the Chief Commissioner of Mysore on the 20th September 1869, with the exception of the "Addapalaki."

2. In the Rahadari issued on 29th June 1907, in pursuance of the foregoing order, permission was given to use "Sadapalaki" only, while in the Rahadari dated 20th September 1869, both "Addapalaki" and "Sadapalaki" had been mentioned. Information having been received that the Guru of the Muragi Matt proposed to enter the town of Chitaldrug in procession on the 15th August 1907, using "Panchakalasa" on his palanquin and that the Brahmins of the place were objecting to any such Kalasa being used; and the Deputy Commissioner of Chitaldrug having also asked for instructions in the matter, the Deputy Commissioner was informed that the terms of the Rahadari which only mentioned "Sadapalaki" without any reference to "Panchakalasa", should be strictly followed. The procession was accordingly conducted without the use of the "Panchakalasa."

3. In his petition dated 29th August 1907 read above, Lingappa, Agent of the Muragi Matt, has represented that, in all religious functions amongst the Veerasaiva Community, the use of the "Panchakalasa" is considered an absolute necessity, that a palanquin without a Kalasa is not complete for purposes of a procession, that the use of such palanquin is prohibited, that the Panchakalasa not being a separate insignia, but only a necessary adjunct to the palanquin, it has not been specially mentioned in the Rahadaris issued but that it is being used ever since the Matt came into existence, and that the "Sadapalaki" is only used in contradistinction to "Addapalaki" and has no reference to the question of "Panchakalasa." He therefore prays that permission may be granted for the use of the Panchakalasa on the Guru's palanquin. This petition as well as the petitions received from the Brahmins of Chitaldrug and the Agents of the Kudli-Sringeri and other Brahmin Matts protesting against the use of the Panchakalasa by the Guru of the Muragi Matt were referred to the Deputy Commissioner.

4. From the records received under cover of the Deputy Commissioner's letter read above, the Government observe that the Deputy Commissioner has examined a large number of witnesses and he has reported that the use of the Panchakalasa by the Swamy of the Muragi Matt was not prohibited in the Deputy Superintendent's order of the 11th September 1863; that the Swamy was using Panchakalasa during his processions in 1892, 1900 and 1902, but that on all these occasions its use was objected to by the Brahmins. He reports that the Lingayets contend that the

Muzrai, dated 18th May 1908.

“Panchakalasa” represents the five Achars, the founders of their religion and is a necessary adjunct to the Guru’s palanquin and that it cannot be looked upon as a separate insignia requiring to be specially mentioned in a Rahadari. The Brahmins on the other hand say, that the Kalasa used for worship is different from the one used as a mark of respect, that the latter is a prerogative of the Ruler at present allowed only to the Gurus of a few Matts, that the fact that the other important Matts are not allowed this special honor is a clear proof that “Panchakalasa” is not a necessary adjunct but a separate insignia, that a palanquin without it is complete for purposes of a procession and that the term “Sadapalaki” used in the Rahadari granted to the Matt means a palanquin without any “Panchakalasa.”

5. At the request of the Agent of the Matt, a search was made among the old records of the General and Revenue Secretariat, with the result that from the Shaha Amal extracts of the year Vyaya received under cover of the Yadasht read above, it has been found that on the 29th February 1827, His Highness the late Maharaja Sri Krishnaraja Wodeyar Bahadur, III sent to the Swamy of the Muragi Matt a new gold “Panchakalasa” for use in place of the old ones.

6. As regards the Rahadari of the 29th June 1907, referred to above, the Government observe that they have already been very liberal in reviving as an act of grace on the part of the Ruling authority in the State, honors to the Muragi Matt in regard to which, although the authority of Sannads and Shaha Amals may be set up, the practice has been quite against their use. As regards the “Panchakalasa”, however, this is a Royal insignia and it is referred to in the compilation made in the Secretariat as a special “Bhodu” granted only to certain Matts. The Government are not inclined to believe that it has anything to do with the five Achars. Even if it did, it has not been specifically mentioned in the Rahadari of 1869. Further, *manul* is a safer guide in deciding questions connected with religious and Sectarian disputes than the oral evidence offered by the contending parties or entries in the old sannads and Government records. In these circumstances the Government of His Highness the Maharaja direct that it is not desirable that the “Panchakalasa” honor claimed by the Muragi Matt which is not specifically mentioned in the Rahadari of 1869, should now be bestowed for the first time. The parties will be informed accordingly.

L. ANANTASAMI RAO,
Muzrai Secretary.

To—The Deputy Commissioner, Chitaldrug District, returning the records.

The Deputy Commissioners of other districts.

The Officer in charge of Palace Establishments, Mysore

The Secretary to Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore, General and Revenue Departments, returning the records received under cover of his Yadasht.

The Revenue Commissioner in Mysore

The Registrar, Chief Court of Mysore.

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GOVERNMENT OF HIS HIGHNESS
THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE

M U Z R A I

P R O C E E D I N G S

Dated 18th May 1908

No. 5054-65
Muz. F. 57 of 1902

Rejecting for reasons stated, the
claim of the Swami of the Muragi Matt to
use "Panchakalasa"

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